

In the Claims

The following is an amendment to and a complete listing of the claims which replaces all prior listings of claims in this application.

1. (currently amended) An apparatus for securing inhalation of substantially smokeless air from a smoky room, which apparatus comprises a protection that is arranged over at least a nose and a mouth of a face of a user, a tightly arranged tubular body that is connected to the protection and that forms a length (L) in an elongated condition that at least extends to adjacent ground level when the user is standing, a nozzle is arranged at a first end of the tubular body at the inside of the protection adapted to be placed against the mouth of the user, which communicates with an air inlet opening in a second end of the tubular body, wherein both the tubular body and the protection are formed of flexible materials, [[and]] both the protection and tubular body are compactable to and/or expandable from a folded condition which forms a compact package that has substantial propagation in one plane and requires little space, and the tubular body is axially compressible to form a substantially flat unit without significant elongation in length.

2. (previously presented) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the tubular body at an outer portion in connection to the air inlet opening is provided with a weight.

3. (previously presented) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the tubular body further includes a fastening apparatus, adjacent the air inlet opening of the tubular body, whereby the air inlet opening of the tubular body is retained adjacent a lower leg or a foot of the user.

4. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a valve for control of inhaled and exhaled air that is arranged in the tubular body, which is connected to the protection.

5. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the tubular body is formed of a thin plastic film that forms a defined air channel, and the tubular body includes an elastic helical strip arranged in the air channel, that in an elongated state substantially corresponds to the length formed by the tubular body.

6. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 1,

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wherein the tubular body is formed of a thin-walled, elastic and flexible material, which is provided with a bellow-like structure having folds so that the tubular body can be compressed and compacted to a compact and substantially flat space saving unit.